

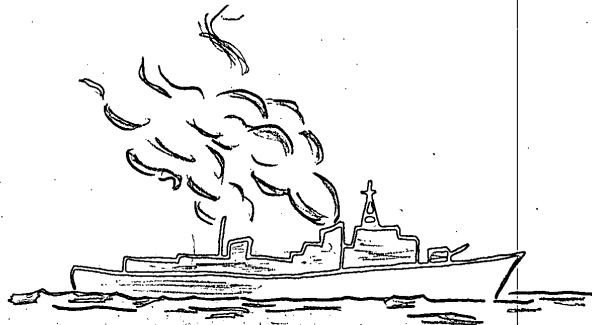
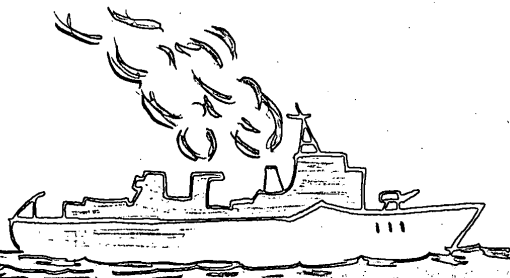
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- On 2 November 1954, two Soviet naval vessels, apparently destroyers of different types, were observed in the Gulf of Finland. At 1030 hours, when the observing vessel was in position N 59-30, E 23-05, one of the Soviet destroyers coming from the east was sighted on a southwesterly course near N 59-30, E 23-05. At 1130, the vessel had already altered course to the east and proceeded in an easterly direction at about 18 knots. The destroyer was painted UNCODED and flew a flag or pennant on her isolated foremast. She had a high bridge structure with a markedly slanting tripod mast. The forward edge of the top of the after smokestack had a bulge, but its purpose could not be explained. A rather compact structure was located aft of, and level with, the after smokestack. No gun turrets were made out, except for the forward one.
- At 1130 hours, the second destroyer was, on a west-northwesterly course, and the first destroyer steered an east-northeasterly course. No exchange of signal was observed. The second destroyer also was painted gray and her most characteristic feature was a pole mast aft of the after smokestack. Her slightly sloping foredeck seemed to indicate that she had a continuous deck.

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